

2023 Reading Challenge

August: A book in translation

- A few lists with suggestions:
 - Book Riot:
<https://tinyurl.com/4edjsnem>
 - Literary Hub:
<https://tinyurl.com/d7erfvvs>
 - New York Public Library:
<https://tinyurl.com/mryntrvf>

September: A book whose author shares your first or last name

- Search the CW MARS catalog by author name at catalog.cwmars.org.

October: A bestseller from the year you turned 18

- Search the catalog by publication year at catalog.cwmars.org.
- View lists by publication year at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Category:Books_by_year.

November: A book recommended by a local bookseller

- Visit <https://shrewsburypubliclibrary.org/services/librarian-recommends/> for recommendations, reviews, and staff picks.

- Find local bookstores at:
 - IndieBound:
<https://www.indiebound.org/>
 - Bookshop.org:
<https://bookshop.org/>
 - Google:
<https://tinyurl.com/29d99z4f>

December: A book published in 2023

- Pick up the newest copy of BookPage at the library for new release ideas.
- Browse new fiction and nonfiction displays at the library.
- Search the catalog by publication year at catalog.cwmars.org.

Scan the QR code below or visit <https://tinyurl.com/493fc6wb> for details.



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How to Participate

1. Sign up at massbook.org/readingchallenge.
 2. Choose a book that fits the monthly challenge.
 3. After reading, fill out the form at <https://tinyurl.com/3t4e4sy2>.
 4. That's it!
- Participants who read at least one book will be invited to a year-end celebration hosted by Mass Center for the Book.
 - Participants who read a book in each of the 12 months will be entered into a drawing to win one of two totes filled with books and Massachusetts goodies.
 - Have questions? View Mass Center for the Book's FAQ here: <https://tinyurl.com/ywm4uvbf>.

Challenge Tips

January: A book less than 100 pages in length

- Use NoveList's advanced search to limit search results by number of pages. Accessible at <https://shrewsburypubliclibrary.org/resources/reference-and-research/>.

February: A book set in your home town/city or state

- Visit <https://crossword-solver.io/books-set-around-america> or <https://www.tripfiction.com/> to search for books by location.
- Search the catalog by keyword at catalog.cwmars.org.

March: A Mass Book Awards honoree

- Visit <https://www.massbook.org/mass-book-awards> to view current and past honorees.

April: A collection of poetry

- Visit the second-floor reference desk for tips on where poetry collections are shelved.



May: A book of nonfiction on a subject new to you

- Visit the second-floor new and monthly themed nonfiction displays to browse nonfiction titles.
- Search the CW MARS catalog by subject or keyword at catalog.cwmars.org.

June: A book set in a country you've never visited

- Visit <https://www.tripfiction.com/> to search for books by location.
- Search the CW MARS catalog by keyword at catalog.cwmars.org.

July: A book borrowed from your local library

- Browse monthly book displays in person at the library.
- Visit <https://shrewsburypubliclibrary.org/services/librarian-recommends/> for recommendations, reviews, and staff picks.